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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF STATE

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE ORDER 2016-41

I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, pursuant to the power and authority vested in me by Sections 1 and 2 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution hereby direct the Oklahoma Works Leadership Team (Team) to implement an Educational Attainment Goal for the State of Oklahoma.

Oklahoma will be well-served by establishing the goal of seventy (70) percent of our residents 25-64 years-old having education training beyond high school by the year 2025. The goal is called Launch Oklahoma. The Team shall develop and recommend a strategic plan to accomplish this goal. The strategic plan shall include, but is not limited to:

- Recommended strategies to increase post-secondary education and training attainment and decrease the skills gap;
- Metrics and benchmarks to demonstrate progress toward the seventy (70) percent goal. These metrics and benchmarks shall include, but are not limited to:
 - o Progress toward reducing the socioeconomic, ethnic and racial achievement gaps in PK-12th grade and increasing equity in post-secondary enrollment; and
 - Progress toward increasing the percent of traditional-age students and adult learners who earn post-secondary degrees, certificates, or other credentials.
- Assessment of whether post-secondary degrees, certificates, and other credentials awarded by Oklahoma post-secondary institutions align with high-demand job needs and job-placement rates; and
- Other goals and objectives as requested by the Governor.

The final strategic plan shall be submitted to the Office of the Governor by November 1, 2017.

For the purposes of carrying out this work, the Secretary of Education & Workforce shall serve as the Chairperson of the Team. The members of the Team are the Chancellor of the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education or designee, the Director of the Oklahoma Department of Career & Technology Education or designee, the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Office of Workforce, the Deputy Superintendent for Academic Affairs & Planning for the State Department of Education, the Director of Research & Economic Analysis Services for the Oklahoma Department of Commerce, the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Educated Workforce Initiative, and shall be supported by the Governor's staff, the Oklahoma Works

Coordinator and the Statewide Performance Management Division of the Office of Management & Enterprise Services.

The Team shall meet at such times and places as the Chairperson deems appropriate. Members shall serve without compensation. Administrative support for the Task Force shall be provided by the Office of the Governor.

All Executive departments, officers, agencies and employees of this State shall cooperate with the Team in carrying out its duties and responsibilities, including providing any information, records and reports as may be requested by the Chairperson.

This Executive Order shall be distributed to the Secretary of State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, this 21st day of December, 2016.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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